

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1274

By Weaver

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Tia Medley on her selection as the 2021-2022 Smith County School System Grades 9-12 Teacher of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest-quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Tia Medley is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Medley has been selected as the 2021-2022 Smith County School System Grades 9-12 Teacher of the Year, a most befitting honor that recognizes the positive influence she has on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, a Smith County native, Tia Medley is a 2006 graduate of Smith County High School, where she currently teaches English and sponsors the Interact Club; she began her career in 2010 teaching English at Warren County High School, and in 2017, she began serving as an ELA instructional coach; and

WHEREAS, she received her bachelor's degree from Tennessee Technological University in 2009 and two master's degrees from Cumberland University in 2018; and

WHEREAS, throughout her career, Ms. Medley has been grateful for the love and support of her husband of eleven years, Sam, and their two sons, Tripp and Chance; and

WHEREAS, Tia Medley is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate her students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Medley serves as an inspiration to her colleagues and students alike, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, Tia Medley truly epitomizes the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Tia Medley on being chosen as the 2021-2022 Smith County School System Grades 9-12 Teacher of the Year, commend her exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, salute her professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.